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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is an Amendment.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

X A fee for additional claims is not required. ___ A fee for additional claims is required. The additional fee has been calculated as shown below: CLAIMS HIGHEST REMAINING NUMBER NUMBER OF RATE ADDITIONAL AFTER PREVIOUSLY EXTRA AMENDMENT PAID FOR CLAIMS 37 = 0 x \$18 = 0TOTAL CLAIMS: 26 -INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: - 5 = 0 \times \$88 = 0 TOTAL FEE DUE \$ ____0

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 13, 2004 in the above-referenced patent application, the Applicants request that the drawings and claims be amended as indicated starting on the next page.